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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Price. Further debate on the committee amendments to LB 303? Senator Raikes, you're recognized to close. Senator Raikes waives closing. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 303. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Committee amendments are adopted. Debate on the advancement of LB 303? Senator Stuhr, you are recognized to close.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. Just to briefly review that the Education Roundtable, I believe, will be a vehicle for better communication and collaboration among the leaders from across the state. And, as I said earlier, I look at this as a think tank, a visionary group, those looking to the future and I believe it will also provide an opportunity for some strategic planning, some forecasting, increase public awareness and, most importantly, build partnerships across the state. With that, I ask for your advancement. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. The question is the advancement of LB 303 to E & R Initial. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 303.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: LB 303 is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 303A, Mr. President, a bill by Senator Stuhr. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Stuhr, you're recognized to open on LB 303A.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the